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## **News Release**

## Residents of Macomb and Oakland Counties May Now Be Eligible for FEMA Assistance

**CHICAGO** – Michigan homeowners and renters in Macomb and Oakland counties, who have disaster-related losses from the severe storms and flooding of June 25-26, 2021, may now apply for federal disaster assistance.

Federal assistance may include grants for temporary lodging and home repairs and other programs to help with uninsured or underinsured necessary expenses and serious, unmet needs that resulted from the disaster.

FEMA offers multiple options to apply:

- Call 800-621-3362. If you use a relay service, such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, give FEMA the number for that service. The toll-free numbers are open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET, seven days a week.
- Go online to www.DisasterAssistance.gov.
- Download the <u>FEMA App</u>.

If you live in Macomb or Oakland county and have already registered with FEMA since July 15, 2021, **you do not need to apply again**. If you're unsure whether you've submitted an application, call the FEMA Helpline at 800-621-3362 to verify your status.

When you apply for assistance, have the following information readily available:

- A current phone number where you can be contacted;
- Your address at the time of the disaster and the address where you are now staying;
- Your Social Security number;
- A general list of damage and losses, and
- Private insurance information, if available.

Individuals in Washtenaw and Wayne counties can already apply for help if they have uninsured or underinsured losses from the late June disaster. The deadline to apply is October 13, 2021. For more information about Michigan's disaster recovery, visit FEMA's website <a href="https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4607">www.fema.gov/disaster/4607</a>.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency, or economic status. Reasonable accommodations, including translation and American Sign Language interpreters via Video Relay Service will be available to ensure effective communication with applicants with limited English proficiency, disabilities, and access and functional needs. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (including 711 or Video Relay). If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have a speech disability and use a TTY, call 800-462-7585.

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